

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**Grants to Municipalities (AS 37.05.315)****Grant Recipient: Anchorage****Project Title:**

Anchorage - Winterberry Charter School Technology, Books, and Supplies Grant

State Funding Requested: \$ 10,000**House District: 23 - L**

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

Funds would be used for educational materials and supplies.

Funding Plan:**Total Cost of Project: \$10,000**Funding Secured*Amount FY*Other Pending Requests*Amount FY*Anticipated Future Need*Amount FY*

There is no other funding needed

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

Winterberry Charter School is in its third year in the Anchorage School District. Winterberry began serving grade seven students this year and will offer eighth grade next year. As the curriculum expands to accommodate middle school students, Winterberry has an additional need to purchase curricular supplies. Grant funds would be used to purchase literature and science equipment for the middle school students. This grant would help keep Winterberry's students on pace with current science technology, and provide resources for learning.

Project Timeline:

Funds would be utilized for the 2008-2009 school year.

Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

Anchorage School District

Grant Recipient Contact Information:

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? ☐ Yes ☒ No



February 29, 2008

Dear Representative Gara and Senator Ellis,

Winterberry is now completing its third year as an Anchorage School District charter school using Waldorf methods as its instructional model. This year has brought exciting changes as we have begun serving grade seven students! Our plans include moving on through the eighth grade in the coming year. Winterberry has been so blessed over the past three by the support of your office and the greater Anchorage community.

If Winterberry continues to receive these additional funds we would use them to purchase curricular supplies for our middle school program. During these years the Waldorf science curriculum expands to include many science experiments requiring specialized equipment. Having these materials would further deepen the experience of the children allowing them to excel. These supplies would include specific tools for science and experiments, minerals, chemicals, and curriculum materials.

The middle school curriculum also includes works of literature specific to the developmental level of these children. We would use a portion of the funds to purchase works of literature exploring issues faced by these growing individuals everyday. Much of our curriculum depends on access to literature through the grades, since Waldorf methods integrate story into every aspect of the curriculum through orally delivered tales and through the written word. Receiving funds to increase our literature resources would greatly support our students in their educational journey.

Thank you for the opportunity to express our need for literature and supplies in our school. Let me know if any additional information would be useful.

Sincerely,

Shanna Mall
Principal